# NORTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in St. John the Baptist Church on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 at 6.30pm.

#### THESE MINUTES ARE IN DRAFT FORM UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Present: Councillor Christine Watson (Chairman) (CW) Councillor Dian Booth (Vice Chairman) (DB) Councillor Alan Dunk (AD) Councillor Robert Dickinson (RD) Councillor Claire Heward (CH) Councillor Glenn Heward (GH) Clerk Lynn Dunk

The meeting was opened to the public at 6.30pm. No members of the public were present and the meeting was therefore closed to public participation.

#### 1/2/16 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

#### 2/2/16 Approval of Minutes of the Last Meeting

The Minutes of the last meeting were circulated to all Councillors. They were approved and signed. (Proposed by RD, seconded by AD and accepted).

#### 3/2/16 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 4/2/16 Matters arising from the previous minutes not covered elsewhere

The Clerk reported that the owner of Blyton Park Driving Centre was invited to this meeting but unfortunately he was unable to attend. He hopes to be able to attend at a future date.

#### 5/2/16 Park gate

A quote of £270 + VAT had been received for the installation of a hydraulic gate closure system. Since roaming dogs are not a current problem the decision on this will be deferred until a later date. In the meantime a notice reminding users of the park to close the gate would be put up. (Proposed by CW, seconded by CH and accepted).

#### 6/2/16 Cemetery and adjoining land, cemetery policy, reserved grave space

Proposed Cemetery and Memorial Policies were circulated and approved. They will be adopted at the next meeting. Northorpe cemetery charges will be brought into line with those currently in use at Scotter. A vote was requested on this point and was carried unanimously. The future use of the land adjoining the cemetery was considered. A suggestion to use the land for allotments was raised. The Clerk will source a model policy and tenancy agreement and will also check the insurance position. The Clerk will also put up a notice to see if anyone in the village would be interested in keeping an allotment. The subject will be further discussed at the next meeting. An Exclusive Rights of Burial Certificate was issued. (Proposed by CW, seconded by DB and accepted).

# 7/2/16 Planning Application Number 133832

The Council has no objection to the application but has asked WLDC to ensure that the existing public footpath from Northorpe to Kirton in Lindsey be maintained in good order for safe public access. (Proposed by AD, seconded by RD and accepted).

# 8/2/16 Grass cutting

Three tenders had been requested. Only one had been returned and it was decided to defer a decision until two more tenders had been obtained. It is hoped a decision can be made at the next meeting. (Proposed by CW, seconded by CH and accepted).

# 9/2/16 Future training planning

No training was currently planned and therefore it was decided not to take up LALC's prepayment plan. (Proposed by CW, seconded by CH and accepted).

# 10/2/16 Financial Statement and Payments

The Financial Statement was circulated and accepted and the following payments were presented for approval:

Cheque	Payee	Reason for	Amount	Date of
Number		payment		payment
300113	EPM	Pest treatment	£102.00	03/02/16
300114	Northorpe PCC	Donation	£40.00	03/02/16
300115	Lynn Dunk	Postage	£17.48	03/02/16
300116	Lynn Dunk	Salary	£287.27	03/02/16
300117	HMRC	Clerk PAYE	£71.80	03/02/16

(Proposed by CH, seconded by GH and accepted).

#### 11/2/16 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 6pm in St John the Baptist Church, Northorpe.

The meeting was closed at 8pm.

Minutes prepared by Lynn Dunk, Clerk to Northorpe Parish Council.

SIGNED:..... (Chairman) DATED .....